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AMEMBASSY VIENNA

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USDOC FOR DOWNEY AND THOMPSON

VIENNA FOR EWTC

E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, OTRA, UR

SUBJ: PROPOSED MRO TRIP TO MOSCOW

REF: VIENNA 2151

1. COMATT AND COMOFF MET WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE'S A.V. MEL'NIKOV (DEPUTY CHIEF, ADMINISTRATION FOR TRADE WITH COUNTRIES OF AMERICAS) MARCH 17 TO EXPLAIN TENTATIVE PLANS FOR WHELAN VISIT AND REQUEST PERMISSION TO TELL MINISTRIES AND OTHER TARGET SOVIET ORGANIZATIONS THAT MFT AGREED PROJECT CONSISTENT WITH PURPOSES OF US-USSR LONG TERM AGREEMENT. COMATT GAVE MEL'NIKOV LETTER FORMALIZING REQUEST, CITING DOWNEY-MEL'NIKOV CONVERSATION FEBRUARY 19 AND ENCLOSING COPY OF INFORMAL PAPER DOWNEY GAVE MEL'NIKOV AT THAT TIME. MEL'NIKOV REPLIED THAT HE COULD NOT PROVIDE ANSWER IMMEDIATELY BUT PROMISED TO INFORM COMATT ASAP. COMATT STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF EARLY REPLY.

2. DESPITE THIS UNCERTAINTY WE BELIEVE WHELAN SHOULD PROCEED WITH VISA APPLICATION. WE SUGGEST, HOWEVER, THAT HE PLAN STAY THREE WEEKS (VICE TWO) TO PERMIT CALLS ON FTOS. DOWNEY'S INFORMAL PAPER ALREADY SUGGESTED LATTER POSSIBILITY, AND WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO ATTEMPT VISITS TO MINISTRIES WITHOUT ALSO CALLING ON FTOS. ONCE BEWT APPROVAL AND MFT UNCLASSIFIED

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BLESSING RECEIVED, WE SHALL SEND LETTERS REQUESTING APPOINT-

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